

R1200GS PillionPlate

Thank you for purchasing a BestRest R12GS PillionPlate!

~The PillionPlate provides a small cargo deck immediately behind the rider, when the passenger seat is removed; it cannot be used when the passenger seat is in place.

~The PillionPlate also serves as a mounting platform for any BestRest BackRest, for rider use.

~The PillionPlate can be used with or without the stock BMW luggage rack or a BestRest CargoRest.

~The PillionPlate protects the silver finish of the stock tailpiece against abrasion from a duffel bag or other cargo.

If you have problems with installation or operation of this product please call us at the number on the letterhead. May the Lord God watch over you and keep you safe as you travel the world on your motorcycling adventures. Ride safe and God bless! - David & Judy Petersen

Tools needed for installation: None, if you're only installing the PillionPlate

BackRest installations will require 8mm and 10mm box wrenches, as well as 3mm and 5mm hex (allen) wrenches

The PillionPlate package contains:

4 - M5x16mm screws (use for Classic2 and EZRest BackRest only)

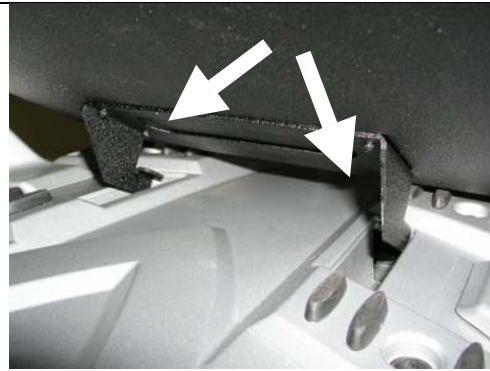
INSTALLATION

1. Remove the passenger seat according to the instructions in your owner's manual.



2. Store the passenger seat in a safe place.

3. Insert the two rear hooks into the slots on the tailpiece that were used to hook the passenger seat.



The angle of insertion shown above is EXAGGERATED for illustration purposes. Instead, come in at a low angle. At the same time, slide the PillionPlate rearward along the tops of the rubber pads of the tailpiece, until it won't go any further.



11. Align the seat latch stud at the front of the PillionPlate with the latching hole, and press downward until you HEAR and FEEL the latch engage. The front of the PillionPlate may bow downward slightly; this is normal.



12. The PillionPlate is now ready for you to load your cargo. Tie-down slots at the front and back allow you to strap your cargo fore-and-aft. Use the slots on the side of the frame for lateral strapping.

To remove the PillionPlate, turn the key in seat latch.

INSTALLING A BACKREST

Classic1 & Sprint BackRests:

Remove the PillionPlate.

From your BackRest parts kit, use the M5x12mm screws to install the long Subframe Bar on the underside of the PillionPlate. Make sure the threaded Pem fittings are facing DOWN.

Reinstall the PillionPlate on the motorcycle. Insert the hooks of the BackRest into the square slots in the PillionPlate and move the BackRest rearward 3/8".

Classic1 BackRest From the BackRest parts kit use two M6x25mm screws, a split ring lock washer, and a flat washer to hold the BackRest onto the PillionPlate. Tighten securely.

Sprint BackRest Use two M6x20mm screws (sorry these screws are no longer included in the PillionPlate parts package), and the split ring lock washers and flat washers from the BackRest parts kit to hold the BackRest onto the PillionPlate. Tighten securely.

Classic2 / EZRest BackRests:

Remove the PillionPlate. Use four M5x16mm screws from the PillionPlate parts kit, and flat washers and 5mm nylon locknuts from the BackRest parts kit to attach the EZRest to the PillionPlate. Tighten securely.

Reinstall the PillionPlate on the motorcycle.

Do not deviate from these screw lengths or washer specifications. Use of other screws may damage the tailpiece, or may cause failure of the threaded fittings holding the BackRest. With the PillionPlate in place, look on the underside of the plate to make sure the screws aren't in contact with the motorcycle frame. Use shorter or longer screws if necessary.

WARNING: As part of your daily pre-ride inspection, check that the seat latch stud is firmly engaged. Inspect the PillionPlate for signs of fatigue or damage. Check the screws and fittings that hold the BackRest to the PillionPlate. Tighten or adjust if necessary. Remove from service if you observe signs of fatigue, wear, or other damage.

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